



Welcome to East Lumberton

As Senior Pastor of ELBC, I want to welcome you to our church. We are a diverse church of believers whose goal is to lift up the name of Jesus Christ. We welcome all races, ages and walks of life to come be a part of our church family. We are glad you came and we hope you feel at home with us today. If you are visiting for the first time, please see one of our greeters in the vestibule to get a visitor's packet, so that we can get to know you better.

MINISTERS ON-CALL

Rev. Michael Bowen (910) 736-6170

Rev. Roger Smith (423) 557-5515

EMERGENCY PRAYER REQUEST

Melissa Humphrey (910) 416-0312

Donna Holden (910) 534-0616

If you have an Emergency Prayer Request and would like for your church family to be in prayer, please contact Donna Holden or the church office. Melissa Humphrey may be unavailable for a brief period of time.

Weekly Willing Workers

VAN DRIVERS

2/1: Matthew Stephens
(910-234-5817)

2/8: Donald White
(910-258-2435)

CHILDREN'S CHURCH

Children's Church is provided for children ages 2 thru kindergarten

2 & 3 years old

2/1: Chasity & Noah Reaves,
Cindy Horne

2/8: Haley Smith, Jeff Bass,
Chelsea Stone

4 & 5 years old

2/1: Donna Holden, Christy
Locklear, Kathy Buffkin

2/8: Sharon Locklear,
Cynthia Woodell, Cassie West

NURSERY WORKERS

newborn to 2 years old

2/1: Claudia Cooke,
Megan Freeman, Haley Smith,
Alana Taylor

2/8: Caludia Cooke, Vicki
Hendren, Kayla & Daniel Lee,
Becky Willoughby

DEACONS OF THE WEEK

Noah Reaves (910-618-1469) & Matthew Stephens (910-234-5817)

INTERCESSORY PRAYER MINISTRY

2/1: Crystal Martin

2/8: Brenda Hester

FIRST IMPRESSION TEAM

2/1: Julia Martin, Margaret
Rameriz, Joyce Simmons

2/8: Lisa Smith, Suzette Taylor,
Susan Tyner

For your safety, please know we have a security team in place for all services.

SUNDAY MORNING

"Only Time Will Tell"

Mark 4:3-9

Theme: "4 Types Of People In The Church"

- I. The Sower That Is Present (v. 3a)
- II. The Seed That Is Planted (v. 3b)
- III. The Soil That Is Portrayed (v. 4-8)
 - A. The Hard Soil (v. 4)
 1. The Condition Of It (v. 4a)
 2. The Cause Of It (Luke 8:5)
 3. The Curse Of It (v. 4b)
 4. The Cure For It (Hosea 10:12)
 - B. The Hindered Soil (v. 5-6)
 1. The Ground Was Shallow (v. 5a)
 2. The Gain Was Swift (v. 5b)
 3. The Growth Was Stopped (v. 6)
 - C. The Hurtful Soil (v. 7)
 1. It Was Crowded By The Weeds (v. 7a)
 2. It Was Choked By The World (v. 7b)
 3. It Was Consumed By The Wealth (v. 7b)
 - D. The Healthy Soil (v. 8)
 1. It Was Fertile Ground (v. 8a)
 2. It Was Fruitful Ground (v. 8b)
- IV. The Statement That Is Provoking (v. 9)
 - A. Examine Your Faith (2 Corinthians 13:5)
 - B. Examine Your Fruit (Matthew 7:20)

SUNDAY EVENING

"Standing On The Promises"

Galatians 3:15-25

Theme: "Our God Is A Promise Keeper"

- I. Understanding The Covenants Of God (v. 15-18)
 - A. The Different Covenants God Announced (v. 15)
 1. They Were Important Covenants (v. 15a)
 2. They Were Imperative Covenants (v. 15b)
 - B. The Detailed Covenant With Abraham (v. 16-18)
 1. A Covenant That Was Hopeful (v. 16)
 2. A Covenant That Would Hold (v. 17)
 3. A Covenant That Was Honored (v. 18)
- II. Understanding The Commands Of God (v. 19-25)
 - A. Why They Were Issued (v. 19-20)
 1. To Reveal To Us The Seriousness Of Sin (v. 19a)
 2. To Reveal To Us The Solution For Sin (v. 19b-20)
 - B. Why They Were Integral (v. 21)
 1. The Commands Prove Something
 2. The Covenant Provides Something
 - C. Why They Were Important (v. 22)
 - D. Why They Were Instrumental (v. 23-25)
 1. The Law Trapped Us Like A Fish (v. 23)
 2. The Law Taught Us About Faith (v. 24)
 3. The Law Took Us To Freedom (v. 25)

Reminder!

Don't forget the tracts in the hallway. Please feel free to pick one up and share a tract with a friend.



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February 1, 2026

Church Theme for 2026:

Keep On Keeping On - Genesis 26:12-22

EAST LUMBERTON Baptist Church

Staff Directory

Senior Pastor

Rev. Michael S. Bowen

(910) 736-6170

Associate Pastor for Families

Rev. Roger D. Smith

(423) 557-5515

Minister of Senior Adults

Rev. Ricky Donaldson

(910) 499-5218

Theme for 2026: “Keep On Keeping On”
Genesis 26:12-22

11:00 AM MORNING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	“Old Church Choir” Soloist: Nick Stone
Offertory Hymn	
	“What a Friend We Have in Jesus”
Congregational	
	“Victory in Jesus”
Message in Song	Alana Taylor
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“It Matters to The Master” Soloist: Dale Johnson
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“Only Time Will Tell” Mark 4:3-9
*Hymn of Commitment	
	“Softly and Tenderly”
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist

Hymn of Commitment
During the Hymn of Commitment if you would like to talk with someone about salvation, join the church or become a candidate for baptism, our Pastors will be available at the front during this time.

Birthday Celebrations

Jan. 25th- Jan. 31st



25 th	Ben Morgan	30 th	Tony Brigman
28 th	Hope Stephens		Tony McNeill
	Robin Donaldson		Bobby Newberry
	Rolanda Stubbs		Sam Hucks
	Lisa Bass	31 st	Kathy Buffkin
	Marsha Jo Mckenna		Michelle Smith

Birthday Celebrations

Feb. 1st- Feb. 7th

1 st	Linda Leggett	Brenden Hunt
	Gary Allen	Kinsley Bullard
	Gwen Mishue	5 th Cindy Ivey
	Brittlyn Stubbs	Kim Smith
2 nd	Gaye Carroll	Ethan Hunt
3 rd	Shon Anderson	7 th Melissa Humphrey
4 th	Nancy Dudney	Matt Horne

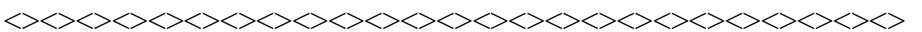
6:00 PM EVENING WORSHIP SERVICE

Prelude	Pianist
Invocation & Welcome	Rev. Roger Smith
Call to Worship	Sanctuary Choir
	“I’ve Never Seen the Righteous Forsaken” Soloist: Belinda Locklear
Offertory Hymn	
	“Standing on the Promises”
Congregational	
	“Just a Closer Walk with Thee”
Message in Song	Kayla Lee
Message in Song	Sanctuary Choir
	“Waymaker” Soloist: Mike White
Message	Rev. Michael S. Bowen
	“Standing On The Promises” Galatians 3:15-25
*Hymn of Commitment	
	“Only Trust Him”
Benediction	Layman
Postlude	Pianist



OPPORTUNITIES OF THE WEEK

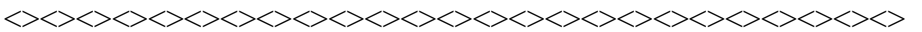
Today	9:45 AM	Sunday School
	11:00 AM	Morning Worship Service
	11:00 AM	Haitian Ministry
	2:00 PM	Nursing Home Ministry (Harborview Nursing)
	4:30 PM	Handbells
	6:00 PM	Evening Worship Service
Wednesday	5:45 PM	Family Night Supper
	6:30 PM	Children’s Choir (Grades 1-6)
	7:00 PM	Prayer Meeting (Nursery thru Grade 12)
	7:45 PM	Sanctuary Choir Rehearsal



Menu for Feb. 4th

Menu: Lasagna, string beans, rolls, dessert and drink.
\$5.00 donation per person; Free for Children under 6
Maximum donation of \$20.00 per family.

Please sign up in the hallway



ANNOUNCEMENTS



Deacons Meeting

The regular monthly Deacons meeting will be held on Monday, Feb. 2nd, at 7:00 PM. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Randy Graham.

Graduates

If you are graduating from High School or College, please contact the church office by Sunday, February 15th. We would like to acknowledge you on Graduation Sunday.



Senior Adult Committee Meeting

The Senior Adult Committee will meet Wednesday, Feb. 4th, at 6:30 PM, in Pastor Ricky Donaldson’s office. The purpose of the meeting is to plan up-coming events. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky Donaldson.



Children’s Committee Meeting

The Children’s Committee will meet Sunday, Feb. 8th, at 5:00 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. The purpose of the meetings is to plan the 2026 calendar. Please come prepared to provide input on trips and activities. If you have any questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Roger Smith.



Reserving Church Van/Bus

Friendly reminder! If you plan on using the church bus or van, you must complete a request form through the church office. If a form is **NOT** completed, we cannot guarantee a vehicle will be available for you. Planning has to be done in order for the vehicles to be serviced and readied for trips. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Matthew Stephens or the church office.



Bereavement Food Committee

As part of our ministry here at the church, the bereavement food committee provides a meal to the family during the death of a church member. If you would like to assist with this ministry by providing a food item for this meal, please sign the sheet in the hallway. The church provides the fried chicken. This will be on a rotation basis. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Joyce Cribb, Patsy White or Dale Johnson.



2026 Church Committees

We need for all the 2026 Church Committees to meet and choose a chairperson. Once this is completed, please notify the church office, of your committee chairperson, no later than **TODAY**. Thank you in advance for your assistance.



Church-Wide Adult Valentine Banquet

There will be a church-wide Adult Valentine Banquet on Saturday, Feb. 14th, at 5:30 PM, in the Fellowship Hall. Also, carriage rides will be provided prior to dinner, free of charge, from 4:00 PM until 5:00 PM. If you are interested in attending, please complete a form which can be found on the table at each entrance. Return the completed form along with \$25.00 per person (steak, baked potato, salad, rolls, dessert, drink and entertainment) to the church office or Sabrina Sanderson-Floyd. **The absolute last date we can accept reservations is Wednesday, February 4th as food must be pre-ordered.** Make checks payable to East Lumberton Baptist Church.



Denim and Pearls

Denim and Pearls will be meeting on Friday, February 6th, at 6:30 PM. All ladies are invited! Please sign the sign-up sheet in the hallway, as a meal will be provided. If you have questions, please contact Michelle Lewis or Lisa Blanton.



Joy Bells Cookbook

The Joy Bells are putting together a cookbook of everyone’s favorite recipes. Everyone is invited to participate. Please submit your recipes to Robin Donaldson or email her at rsdonaldson53@gmail.com no later than Sunday, February 15th. If you have questions and/or concerns, please contact Rev. Ricky or Robin Donaldson or Donna Holden.

